

AN ORDINANCE

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AS SUBSTITUTED BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE UPON THE PRINCIPAL SPONSOR(S), PROMOTER(S) OR HOLDER(S) OF ANY ENTERTAINMENT OR SPORTS EVENT, AN EVENT FEE OF \$1.00 PER TICKET SOLD AND OR ISSUED TO ANY EVENT WHERE ATTENDANCE EXCEEDS 4,000 PERSONS, SAID FEE BEING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COSTS OF PROVIDING INCREASED CITY SERVICES FOR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND CROWD CONTROL MADE NECESSARY BY SUCH EVENTS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, sports and entertainment activities have continually increased in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the cost of public safety and city services to control, monitor and host these events has exceeded the revenue received by the city from these events as the result of the licensing and permitting fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta wants to continue hosting said events and providing the necessary public safety and city services at a comparable level of the growth currently being experienced; and

WHEREAS, an event fee of \$1.00 per ticket sold and/or issued to any event where attendance exceeds 4,000 persons will defray some of the cost necessary for the increased provision of these services; and

WHEREAS, according to 1997/98 statistics, said event fee, if imposed, will generate approximately 6.4 million dollars.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

Section 1: (a) Effective _____, an event fee of \$1.00 per ticket sold and/or issued on a complimentary basis to any entertainment or sports event held in the city, where attendance exceeds 4,000 persons, is hereby imposed upon the principal sponsor(s), promoter(s) or holder(s) of the event.

(b) The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to enforce and collect said event fee.

(c) the funds generated from said event fee shall be for the purpose of defraying a portion of the costs of providing increased city services for traffic management and crowd control made necessary by such events and more specifically, to fund the cost of much needed salary increases for Public Safety (Police, Fire, Corrections) officers.

(d) **Exemptions:** This ordinance shall not apply to charitable or nonprofit functions, or to school functions or to normal convention activities; parades as defined in Section 138-232 of the City Code; outdoor festivals as defined in Section 138-187 of the City Code; or events sponsored or conducted by the federal, state or local governments.

Section 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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Councilmember Jim Maddox

An Ordinance to authorize the imposition of a one dollar (\$1.00) surcharge on tickets to all events held at the City's major venues; to provide for exceptions; said funds to be used for public safety purposes; and for other purposes

4/2/01
Filed Without Objection

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CITY COUNCIL
APR 02 2001

As Amended
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AS AMENDED

- ☐ CONSENT REFER
- ☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
- ☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
- ☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
- ☒ PERSONAL PAPER REFER

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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

☒ 2nd ☐ 1st & 2nd ☐ 3rd
Readings
☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☒ RC Vote

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
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